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Sir:

Under 37 CFR §1.34(b), applicant's undersigned principal attorney of record appoints the Practitioners at Customer Number 20350 as Associate Attorneys of Record to prosecute the case identified above, and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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